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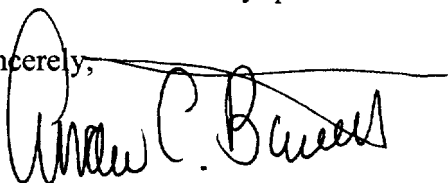
Dear Ms. Salas:

This is to inform you that on February 15, 2000 Mr. Dion Smith, Deputy Chief of Staff, of the Chicago Public Schools and Andrew C. Barrett of the Barrett Group, Inc. met with Michael K. Powell.

The attached document was (at one point) used for discussion purposes. Please associate this notification and accompanying document with the referenced docket.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Andrew C. Barrett

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Cc: Michael K. Powell

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E-Rate Project

Chicago Public Schools

Project Overview
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E-RATE Project Overview February 2000

E-RATE YEAR 1

E-RATE YEAR 2

YEAR 2 CHALLENGES

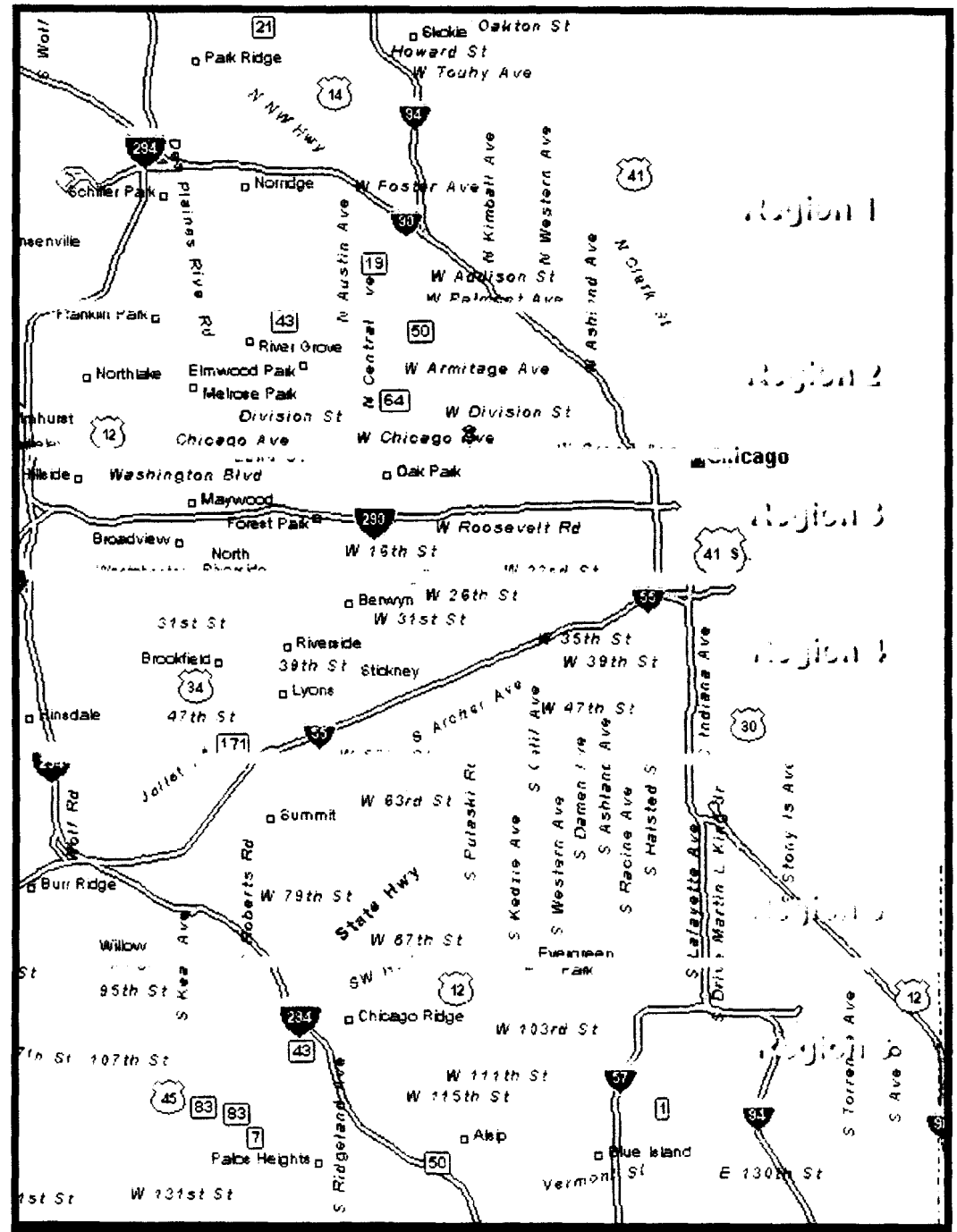
E-RATE PROJECT GOALS

MINIMUM CONFIGURATION

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

E-RATE YEAR 1

The Year 1 construction deadline expired September 30, 1999.

Every school in the district was provided with an administrative LAN connected to the central office WAN. In addition, a handful of schools filed separate applications, which were approved by the SLD, and had LAN wiring done in Year 1.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

E-RATE YEAR 2

256 individual Chicago public schools filed separate applications for Year 2, which were approved by the SLD.

The CPS central office also filed a district-wide application in Year 2, and Ameritech Information Services ("AIS") was awarded the contract as construction manager/general contractor for the application, which was approved by the SLD.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

YEAR 2 CHALLENGES

The first 35 of the 256 "separate" Year 2 schools were ratified by the Chicago Board of Education at its December 1999 meeting. At its January 2000 meeting, the Board ratified 82 additional Year 2 schools.

- At its February 23 meeting, the Board anticipates ratifying all of the remaining 139 schools that have submitted the required documentation (signed agreement with pre-qualified wiring contractor, approved technology plan, school's share of undiscounted costs, etc.).
- Year 2 ends June 30, 2000, unless the FCC extends the construction deadline (as it did in Year 1).

PROJECT OVERVIEW

E-RATE PROJECT GOALS

- Promote equity, by ensuring that every school in the district is at "minimum LAN configuration."
- **RATIONALE:** Given limited fiscal resources, the district must ensure that all 600 schools have at least "Chevy's" (minimum configuration); not 300 schools with "Cadillac's" but 300 with "Bicycles."
- Central Office pays for electrical service upgrades, and electrical distribution upgrades for minimum configuration; individual schools pay for electrical distribution in excess of minimum configuration.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

MINIMUM LAN CONFIGURATION

Elementary Schools

7 WIRELESS Classrooms
1 HARD-WIRED Library
1 HARD-WIRED Computer Lab
**1 HARD-WIRED Math or
Science Lab**

10 Rooms

High Schools

10 WIRELESS Classrooms
1 HARD-WIRED Library
1 HARD-WIRED Computer Lab
3 HARD-WIRED Science Labs
2 HARD-WIRED Math Labs

17 Rooms

PROJECT OVERVIEW

YEAR 2 E-RATE STRATEGY

If the FCC does not extend the Year 2 construction deadline of June 30, 2000:

- 1) Let the remaining 139 "separate" schools proceed with their individual contracts, if they have submitted the documentation required for Board ratification.
- 2) AIS will complete the minimum LAN configuration at all 256 schools in Year 3, if the "separate" contractor does not in Year 2.
- 3) AIS will wire at least 30 additional schools in Year 2, including the Math, Science and Technology Academies; all other schools will wait for Year 3.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

YEAR 2 ELECTRIFICATION STRATEGY

- 1) 57% of CPS buildings are older than 50 years; 40% of facilities are older than 75 years.
- 2) 116 of the 256 "separate" Year 2 schools require electrical power service upgrades. Virtually all of the 256 schools need electrical distribution upgades.
- 3) As part of its \$55 million FY 2000 power budget, the CPS Capital Program has started design on service and distribution upgrades for the first 59 of the 116 schools, with construction to begin this Spring.
- 4) At the conclusion of the year 2 "separate" scopes of work, the Capital Program will provide electrical upgrades for all schools that require power.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

E-RATE YEAR 3

The Year 3 application deadline expired January 19, 2000.

CPS filed one district-wide application for Year 3. No separate applications from individual schools were allowed in Year 3. Schools responded to the central office's Year 3 Request for Information in the Fall of 1999, identifying the eligible services they wished to purchase. These requests were included in the district's Year 3 application.

Year 3 begins July 1, 2000 and ends June 30, 2001
(= 2000-2001 School Year and CPS Fiscal Year 2001).



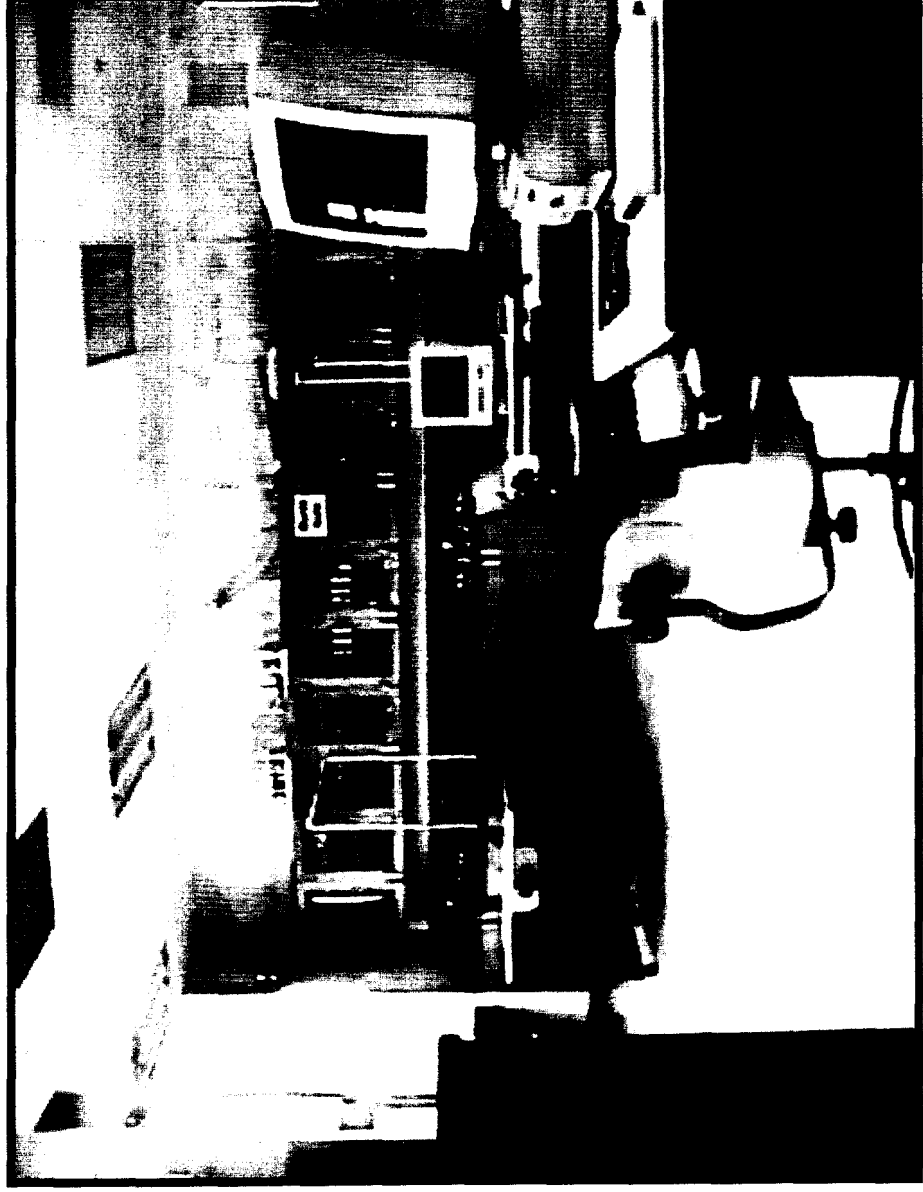
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Nightingale Elementary Computer Lab, 5259 S Rockwell



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Lake View High School Physics Lab, 4015 N Ashland

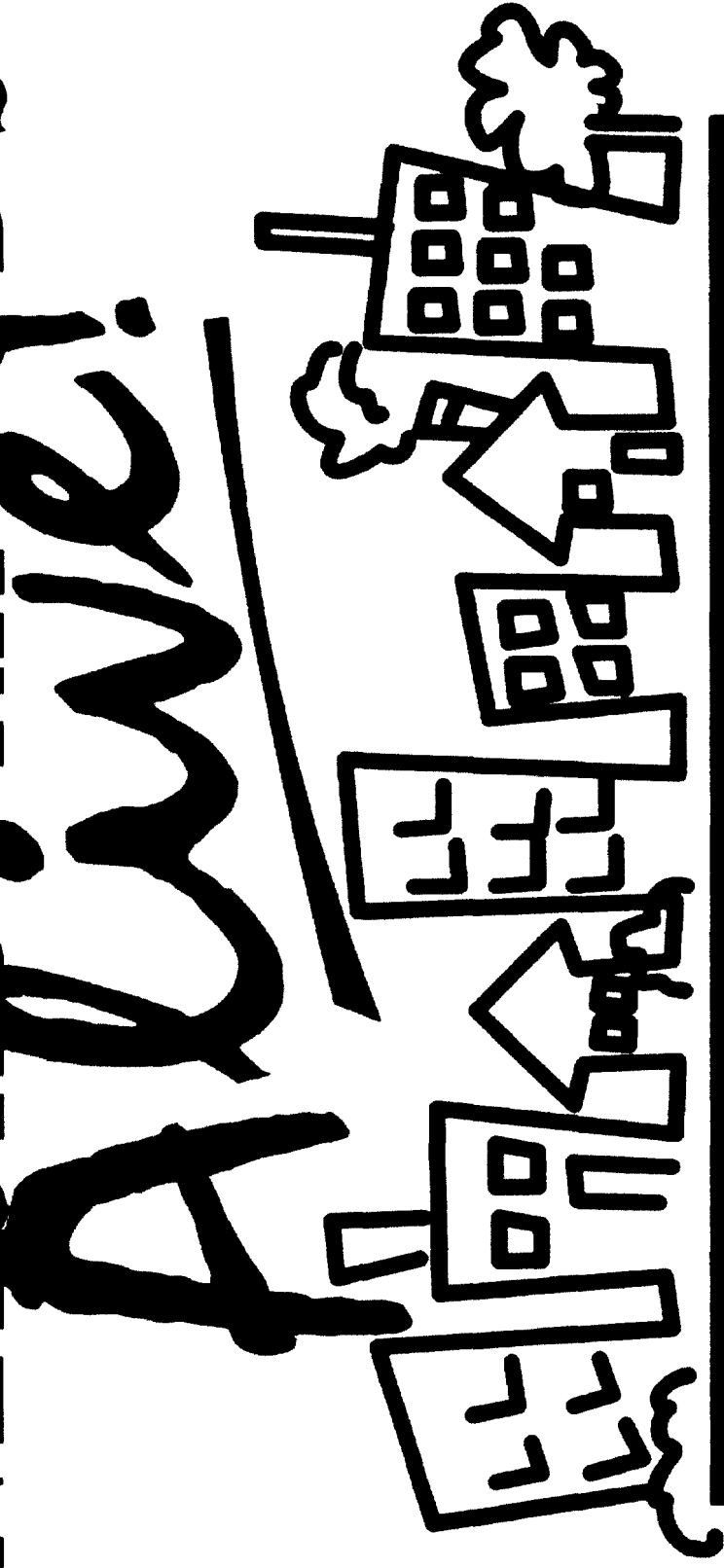


PROJECT OVERVIEW

Sawyer Elementary Computer Lab, 5248 S Sawyer



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